

FAMILY FUN IN RAS AL KHAIMAH



A haven of year-round sunshine with a wide range of accommodation and activities to keep the kids busy, Ras Al Khaimah is the ideal destination for families.

The northernmost Emirate in the UAE, the destination boasts a range of landscapes – from the sea and beach to desert and spectacular mountains – and is just a few short hours from various European hubs. Families from across the world can visit Ras Al Khaimah to enjoy its stunning hotels and resorts, pristine beaches, lush mangroves and rolling terracotta dunes, not-to-mention the myriad of exhilarating mountain attractions and fascinating historic sites, including ruins and forts. There really is something for everyone in Ras Al Khaimah.

Attractions and Thrills for Adults and Children Alike

Mountain

The highest mountain in the UAE, Jebel Jais offers a range of adventures for all ages.

Adrenaline seekers can enjoy the adventure of a lifetime at the **Jebel Jais Flight: The World's Longest Zipline**, that propels you through the skies at a height of 1,680 metres above sea level, reaching speeds of 120kph to 150kph. Alternatively, adventure enthusiasts can explore the beauty of the Hajar mountains with the **Jais Sky Tour**, a course of six ziplines above the grand cliffs and canyons of Jebel Jais, connected by nine platforms and a 15m-long sky bridge – the highest of its kind in the UAE. The tour gives visitors an unprecedented bird's-eye view of the incredible location, while reaching speeds of around 60kph over the 5km long course. Visitors to the ziplines must be at least 122cm tall and weigh 40-100kg. Participants under the age of 18 who meet the height and weight requirements will need to be accompanied by and present a signed waiver by a parent or legal guardian.

Jebel Jais is also home to the region's longest toboggan ride – the family-friendly **Jais Sledder**. Offering a thrilling experience through Jebel Jais, the ride reaches speeds of up to 40kph descending down the slopes of the Hajar Mountain through 1,840m of hairpin curves and undulating whirls. Suitable for all ages from 3+ years.

Further down the mountain is the **Bear Grylls Explorers Camp**, the first of its kind in the region and the first in the world to offer branded accommodation, that challenges visitors to try out exhilarating courses run by UK experts trained at the Bear Grylls Survival Academy. Survival options include half-day (three to four hours), and 24-hour experiences perfect for adults and families. Located at the camp is also an **archery range** and the **Jais Ropes Course** – rope swings, bridges, swinging loops and more – suspended 10m above ground. A helpful team is on-hand to guide visitors throughout the hour-long experience, with two levels to choose from, appealing to adventurers aged 6+ years (min. height – 125cm). Children under 10 years must be accompanied by an adult. Guests can also explore the outdoors via mountain biking and climbing, as well as self-guided and instructor-led hikes.

Those seeking a gentler mountain experience can soak up the stunning 360-degree views of the Hajar Mountains from the **Jebel Jais Viewing Deck Park**, offering seven viewing decks with 12 powerful binoculars that command unparalleled panoramas of the swooping valleys. To keep guests fueled



throughout the day, Puro Express and Muse Café also serve up a delicious selection of snacks and drinks.

While at the top, families will soon be able to tee off from the **Jais Minigolf**, featuring a world-class nine-hole mini-golf putting course (opening 2023), and take off on the region's first dedicated paragliding experience with **Jais Wings** – with two options for landing pads near Saraya Islands and Al Rams (opening 2024).

Further set to open at the mountain will be a dedicated F&B Village – the **Jais Yard**. Food trailers, kiosks, retail containers, vintage truck restaurants, open air cinema and children's play areas will drive further visitation to Jebel Jais (opening 2024).

Land & Desert

Families looking to get a bird's eye view of Ras Al Khaimah can hop on **ActionFlight's brand-new hot-air balloon experience**, featuring awe-inspiring views of the Emirate's breath-taking natural landscapes. Set afloat in the Al Wadi desert, the 450,000 cubic feet balloon stands at a colossal 34.6m. Guests can marvel at the illuminated desert dunes, majestic Hajar mountains and glistening coastline and - even spot special appearances from the indigenous wildlife.

Visitors can also experience heart-pumping go-karting races at **RAK Track** and desert adventures with camel rides and dune bashing – the latter more suitable for older children. The Emirate's Desert camps – **Bedouin Oasis Desert Camp, Bassata Bedouin Camp & Desert Village, and The Dunes** – offer family desert trips, which includes everything from dune-bashing to camel rides, Bedouin-style camp dinners and live entertainment. The authentic desert adventure at **Sonara Camp** offers a luxurious dining and entertainment experience set in the beauty of Al Wadi desert, with herds of Oryx and Gazelle as dinner companions. At the luxurious **Ritz Carlton Al Wadi**, guests can experience the great outdoors with a variety of activities including a picturesque nature drive, archery, horseback, pony and camel riding, falconry and wildlife feeding.

Families can also explore the rich culture of the Emirate across its heritage sites including the fascinating 19th-century **Dhayah Fort**. The short climb up to the only fort of its kind in the UAE is easily accessible for the whole family. The **National Museum of Ras Al Khaimah** is also worth a short excursion, teaching visitors about the Emirate's cultural heritage through displays on architecture, pearl diving, fate agriculture, farming, fishing and much more across its various galleries.

Sea

With over 64km of pristine beaches to enjoy and an array of world-class hotels and resorts, the coastline of Ras Al Khaimah offers the perfect kid-friendly getaway. The calm waters of the Arabian Gulf are perfect for families to experience a thrilling range of watersports, including parasailing, jet skiing, waterskiing, kayaking, boat cruises and more.

Families looking to immerse themselves in the tradition and history of the Emirate can enjoy a trip to **Suwaidi Pearl Farm**, the only pearl farm in the UAE, located just a short boat ride from the city through the lush and wildlife rich mangroves. The Farm provides a glimpse into the Emirate's pearling industry through interactive experiences such as pearl diving and oyster shucking.

Accommodation

Ras Al Khaimah is home to a plethora of properties with kid-friendly rooms, numerous pools, splash zones, kids' clubs, immersive activities, extensive water parks and expansive beaches to keep the little ones entertained. World-class hotels and resorts – from ultra-luxury to affordable and all-inclusive offerings – include **Waldorf Astoria, DoubleTree, Hilton, Rixos, Rotana, Ritz-Carlton, Hampton, Radisson, InterContinental** and **Mövenpick**.

List of Hotels in Ras Al Khaimah

Beach:

- [Al Hamra Residences](#) (4*)
- [Banan Beach](#) (Beach camp)
- [BM Beach Hotel](#) (4*)
- [BM Beach Resort](#) (4*)
- [City Stay Beach Hotel Apartment](#) (Deluxe hotel apartment)
- [Doubletree by Hilton Resort & Spa Marjan Island](#) (5*)
- [Hampton by Hilton Marjan Island](#) (4*)
- [Hilton Ras Al Khaimah Beach Resort](#) (5*)
- [InterContinental Ras Al Khaimah Resort and Spa](#) (5*)
- [Jannah Hotels & Resorts Ras Al Khaimah](#) (Deluxe hotel apartment)
- [Longbeach Campground](#) (Beach camp)
- [Marjan Island Resort & Spa](#) (5*)
- [Mövenpick Resort Al Marjan Island](#) (5*)
- [Radisson Resort Ras Al Khaimah, Al Marjan Island](#) (4*)
- [Ritz-Carlton Ras Al Khaimah, Al Hamra Beach](#) (5*)
- [Rixos Bab Al Bahr](#) (5*)
- [The Cove Rotana Resort](#) (5*)
- [Waldorf Astoria Ras Al Khaimah](#) (5*)

City:

- [Action Hotel Ras Al Khaimah](#) (3*)
- [City Max Ras Al Khaimah](#) (3*)
- [Doubletree by Hilton Ras Al Khaimah](#) (4*)
- [Hilton Garden Inn Ras Al Khaimah](#) (4*)
- [Kay Homes](#) (Holiday homes)
- [Mangrove Hotel](#) (4*)
- [Mughal Suites](#) (Deluxe hotel apartment)
- [Ras Al Khaimah Hotel](#)
- [Royal View Hotel](#) (3*)

Desert:

- [Bedouin Oasis Desert Camp](#)
- [RAK Glamping](#)
- [Ritz-Carlton Ras Al Khaimah, Al Wadi Desert](#) (5*)
- [The Dunes Camping](#)

Four-legged members of the family

Ras Al Khaimah is not only the perfect getaway for parents and kids but fur babies too, making sure the whole family can explore the great outdoors. From spectacular wadi walks and mountain hikes to chilled out beachside excursions, desert adventures and overnight stays, there are plenty of "pawesome" experiences to enjoy with four-legged companions across the Emirate. Special pet-friendly initiatives provide hassle-free options to explore, engage and stay in Ras Al Khaimah, running across hotels such as **Hilton Ras Al Khaimah Beach Resort, Banan Beach, Al Hamra Residences**, restaurants, outdoor parks and beaches in the Emirate.

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About Ras Al Khaimah Tourism Development Authority (RAKTDA)

The Ras Al Khaimah Tourism Development Authority (RAKTDA) was established in May 2011 under the government of Ras Al Khaimah. RAKTDA aims to develop the Emirate's tourism infrastructure and establish Ras Al Khaimah as a world-class destination for leisure and business travel, creating



sustainable investment opportunities and enhancing the quality of life for its residents. In order to achieve its goals, the Authority has a government mandate to license, regulate and monitor the Emirate's tourism and hospitality industry.

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